

WORST FLOODS IN QUARTER CENTURY PREDICTION HERE

Mississippi River Will Reach 16 Feet, Highest Since 1892 on Saturday, Is Forecast.

BRIDGE AND IRON PLANT TO STOP

Continued Rains Will Cause Even Greater Rise in Meantime, Says Warning From Bureau.

Flood conditions, never equaled during the past quarter of a century, the Mississippi river to reach a stage of 16 feet above low water, will prevail at Rock Island during the latter part of the present week, according to a warning issued today by the local government weather bureau.

Prediction is that by Saturday or Sunday the river will reach the crest of a rise which started a week ago, but which will be augmented by the rains which have occurred north of here since.

Professor J. M. Sherier, meteorologist of the local bureau, today issued the following flood warning:

"During the present week one of the most severe floods on record will prevail from below Dubuque to Muscatine. At Clinton the stage will be about 18 feet by Friday; at Le Claire 12 feet by Saturday; at Rock Island 16 feet by Saturday, and Muscatine 18 feet by Sunday.

"Higher stages will result should further heavy rains occur in the meantime. Immediate action should be taken for the protection of exposed property." If the river rises to 16 feet it will be the highest since 1892.

The warning carries great apprehension to persons residing in river cities. That the crest of the flood will bring damage to Rock Island county, even in excess of that suffered two weeks ago because of high water, and that in the latter part of January, is the belief here today.

In January the river reached its highest point at 15 feet above low water. There is every reason to believe that by Saturday it will exceed that stage by one foot, and may paralyze commercial interests in the Mill street factory district for days.

Is 14.5 Feet.

The river today was 14.5 feet above low water mark, just 2 feet below the crest of the high water two weeks ago, and 8 feet below the stage in January, when much suffering was caused.

Water began rising in the plant of the Rock Island Bridge and Iron company, on Mill street, today. Plans at noon today were to close the plant tonight. It will probably remain closed.

A DAGGER IN THE BACK

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IS REAPPOINTED AS MASTER IN CHANCERY



J. L. Haas.

For the fifth consecutive time Mr. Haas was named for another two-year term as master-in-chancery for Rock Island county by Judge W. T. Church in circuit court this morning. Mr. Haas was first selected for this important work in 1908 by Judge W. H. Geat and was reappointed in 1910, 1912, 1914 and 1916 in recognition of the careful and competent manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office.

until following the crest of the flood. Reports from various sections of the city today were that very few basements are filled with water. The sewer pump at the foot of Fifth avenue, which has been working for weeks, is handling the situation well and with the mouth of the sewer closed is pumping deposits from the drains satisfactorily. Heavy rains of Sunday and today increased the amount of work for the pump, as in addition to sewerage storm water flowed into the sewers. The pump has a capacity of 8,000,000 gallons per day.

The Mississippi from Second avenue appears as though it was over its banks to a point even with First avenue. It is not over the railroad tracks, however, and the ferry is continuing to operate. The Eighth street dock may have to be moved back later in the week in order to prevent the approaches from being inundated.

From Lansing, Iowa, on the north to Hannibal, Mo., on the south, since Saturday there have been rises in the river at various points, ranging from 3 feet to 1.5 feet. Following shows the stage of the river today, the rise since Saturday and flood stage at each of the cities:

	Flood	Stage, Rise, Point
Lansing	16.4	0.4 18
Padre du Chien	13.3	1.2 18
Dubuque	19.2	1.5 18
LeClaire	11.9	0.5 19
Rock Island	14.3	0.5 15
Keokuk	14.9	0.5 15

Not only is the river rising, but further menace is predicted by the weather bureau should the weather clear. It is forecasted that should there be a clear weather tonight a frost is certain.

Apprehension is felt for the inundated acres in the Drury drainage district, the levee of which broke three weeks ago, and also of the Union drainage district and the Bay Island district below Drury.

Situation at Clinton.

Clinton, Ia., May 1.—With the water in the Mississippi river here this morning at a stage of 16.4 feet above low water mark, a rise of seven-tenths of a foot since Saturday and equaling the high record of the year established April 17, a new warning was issued predicting a stage of 18 feet by Friday. The water now is four-tenths of a foot above flood mark and at a stage of 17 feet will flood Clinton's entire sewer system. Basements all over the city are being vacated to avoid the sewage and water backing into sewer outlets.

CYRUS MILLER IS NAMED FOREMAN

Bowling Township Farmer Appointed by Judge Church to Preside at Grand Jury Sessions.

NATURALIZATION TOMORROW

Application of 75 Who Seek to Become American Citizens on File in Clerk's Office.

Cyrus Miller, Bowling, was named foreman of the grand jury, by Judge W. T. Church when the May term of circuit court convened this morning. Three members of the secret body were unable to be in court and the formal swearing in of the jurors was postponed until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Members of the jury for this term are:

Cordova—Frank Zimmerman.
Coe—L. D. Hauberg.
Cano Creek—W. G. McConnell.
Zuma—Charles Schafer.
Port Byron—Ira E. Ziegler.
Hampton—W. F. Gearhardt.
South Moline—Oscar Lundeen.
Moline—George A. Darling, G. Emil Anderson, R. E. Crane and O. E. Child.
Rock Island—James Kinsley, K. T. Anderson, C. H. Langman.
South Rock Island—George M. Lukens.

Black Hawk—C. S. Thompson.
Coal Valley—John Studer.
Rural—W. R. McElvain.
Bowling—Cyrus Miller.
Edgington—W. H. Wenks.
Andalusia—John Kane.
Buffalo Prairie—Wilson Kimball.
Drury—L. E. Hessman.

Naturalization Tomorrow.

Tomorrow and Wednesday will be given over to the hearing of applications for citizenship. There are 75 members in the class to be examined. Interesting patriotic exercises in their honor will be held tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in the circuit court room, at which time addresses will be given by Judge W. T. Church, John K. Scott, Rev. J. B. Culemans and others. The Svea male quartet is to sing. The public is cordially invited to attend.

REV. WILSON TO TALK TO GRADUATE CLASS

Rev. James Edgar Wilson of the Broadway Presbyterian church has been selected to deliver the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of the Rock Island high school and will speak on the topic, "Following the Highest Good." This was the announcement made this morning at the school. A vote of the class was taken last week and has since been submitted to the board of education. The decision of the board was in favor of Rev. Wilson, and it is generally expected that he was the choice of the class also, although this is not known for a certainty. The sermon will be given May 25.

The first official announcement of the results of the Kansas silent reading test, which was made in all the schools of the city on March 2 of this year, was made this morning by City Superintendent E. C. Fisher. The test was a very complex affair, to be correctly calculated for each grade, and the fact that two sets of grades, one for speed and one for accuracy, had to be made for each individual taking the test, made the problem very difficult to handle. The final results show that Rock Island has approximately the same median in its tests as the schools in the state of Kansas, where the test was first applied.

The test is one that has been issued from the Kansas state normal school for the purpose of discovering the ability of pupils to read silently. It is pointed out that oral reading has been emphasized in the past a great deal more than silent reading, in spite of the fact that the pupils must do a great deal more of silent reading in studying other lessons than reading. It has also been found that the rate of reading and the degree of understanding are interdependent, that fast readers are as a rule better able to understand what they read. These principles have been borne out generally in the local results, but in quite a few places the results have been directly contrary. It has been found that among the different rooms of a school it was often the case that a room that

ENGAGEMENT IS MADE KNOWN AT RECEPTION



Miss Lena Weinroot.

Announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Lena Weinroot, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Weinroot, 1538 Eighth avenue, Moline, and David W. Whitebrook of Rock Island, was made yesterday at an elaborate reception in the home of the bride-to-be's parents.

Receiving in the music room which was ablaze with American beauty roses in wicker baskets tied with big bows of tulle was Mrs. Emil Weinroot, the mother of the bride-elect, who wore a gown of all over black lace over gold colored mousseline satin, with a corsage bouquet of Richmond roses; Mrs. Jennie Geilerman, grandmother of the bride-to-be, who was gowned in lavender charmeuse satin; and Miss Weinroot, wearing an electric blue tulle gown trimmed in gold lace with which she wore a corsage bouquet of sweet peas.

The living room was also fragrant with beautiful roses, rose pink to be combined with silver as the wedding colors, which latter color was carried out in the silver service in the dining room. Here the table had as a centerpiece a silver basket of American beauty roses tied with an airy bow of rose tulle. Rose and silver arrowed hearts were strung from the low dome. Mrs. Emil Weinroot assisted by Mrs. H. Whitebrook of Council Bluffs, Iowa, poured. The confections and ices carried out the rose color scheme. Frappe was served during the afternoon and evening. Misses Goldie Weinroot and Edith Young presiding at the punch bowl.

Miss Weinroot is a charming and popular girl with many friends in the tri-city where she has lived all her life. She received her education in the public schools and was a member of the class of 1913 of the Moline high school.

Mr. Whitebrook is a well known young man of the tri-cities whose home was formerly in Council Bluffs. He is a graduate of the high school of that city and then attended the state university of Iowa. He is now employed in the advertising department of The Argus.

The date of the wedding has not been announced.

The test has been greatly appreciated locally since its application and the teachers in the public schools have been teaching silent reading among the pupils as a result. It is hoped that something concrete in this direction may soon be attempted.

STATE PROVIDES 637 WITH WORK IN MONTH

April was one of the best months ever experienced by the local Illinois free employment office, since the bureau was established here, according to a report issued today by Superintendent Cornelius Donovan. During the month a total of 637 were furnished work. Of this number 116 were women and 521 men. Seven hundred and eighty-one applications for help were received, while 747 applied for work.

Last week's report shows that 164 were given work. Thirty-two were women and 132 men. One hundred and eighty-one applications for help were received during the week and 190 applied for work.

FILE PETITION FOR VOTE ON PARK LEVY

A petition circulated by Park Superintendent C. F. Gaetjer and signed by 165 persons was today filed with City Clerk M. T. Rudgren asking that the commission call a special election June 27 for the purpose of securing an expression from the electors in the city of Rock Island on the question of "Levying an annual tax not to exceed three mills on each dollar of taxable property within the city limits of Rock Island for park purposes."

INITIAL MATCH FOR GOLF CLUB IS HELD

A special sweepstakes tourney was held Saturday afternoon at the Rock Island arsenal golf links. It was a handicap match and the following were winners: Dr. R. B. Hinman and John Sundine, 73 each; and B. F. Peck, E. F. Johnson and Colonel G. W. French, 77 each. This was the first formal match of the season.

Notice.
After this date I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife.
L. BENSON.
May 1, 1916.

ANOTHER COUNTY PIONEER EXPIRES

William Deisenroth, One of Early Farmers of Coal Valley, Passes in His 84th Year.

OWNER OF VALUABLE ACREAGE

Serves in Civil War, Participating in Important Battles and Escaping Injury—Funeral Wednesday.

William Deisenroth, 84 years of age, veteran of the Civil war and resident of Rock Island county 58 years, died early Sunday morning at his home, 1122 Tenth avenue. Mr. Deisenroth had been ailing but a few weeks with infirmities of age.

Mr. Deisenroth was born in Curesen, Germany. As a boy he worked on his father's farm and attended public schools. At the age of 16 he emigrated to America, spending eight weeks on the voyage. He landed at New Orleans and came up the Mississippi to Rock Island, finding employment on a farm nearby. He was engaged in farming at the beginning of the Civil war and enlisted from Coal Valley, which then was his home, in Company H, 126th Illinois infantry, taking part in many important battles.

Among the notable engagements in which he participated were the siege of Vicksburg and the battle of Shiloh. He was never wounded and was mustered out in Springfield in 1865.

Returning to Rock Island county, he continued farming and became owner of valuable lands. He had lived in this city for the past 40 years.

Mr. Deisenroth was married in Rock Island in 1871 to Miss Regina Reinhardt, who preceded him in death seven years. He was a member of St. Mary's church and affiliated with John Buford post, G. A. R.

He is survived by two sons, Henry and Leo; two brothers, Anton and Henry; a sister, Mrs. Mary Seidel, and two grandchildren, all of this city.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock at St. Mary's church, with Father Peter Kluck in charge. Burial will be in Calvary cemetery.

Mrs. A. E. Simpson.

Message was received here Sunday of the sudden death of Mrs. A. E. Simpson at her home in Silver Plume, Col. Mrs. Simpson was formerly Miss Mary Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee, 727 Twentieth street, Rock Island. The remains will be brought to this city for burial. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at the Lee home. The services will be private and the family requests that flowers be omitted. Interment will be in Chippewa cemetery. Mrs. Simpson had spent the last 20 years of her life in the west.

Funeral of Andrew Brady, Sr.

Funeral of Andrew Brady, Sr., was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of his son, Andrew Brady, Jr., 1116 Third avenue, and at 2:30 at St. Joseph's church. Dean J. J. Quinn was in charge of the services. Burial was in Calvary cemetery. The pallbearers were J. A. Murrin, J. T. Shields, Thomas J. Killila, John Brennan, John McGinnis and David Fitzgerald.

Funeral of Miss Mary Spellman.

Funeral services for Miss Mary Spellman were held yesterday afternoon at 2:45 at Wheelan's undertaking parlors and at 3 o'clock at St. Joseph's church, Dean J. J. Quinn officiating. Interment was in Calvary cemetery. The pallbearers were Bert Corken, Peter Byrnes, Frank H. Bluer, Edward Madden, Thomas Haire and H. L. Wheelan.

Additional Social


MRS. CATT ON EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National Equal Suffrage association and acting president of the International Suffrage alliance—a federation of some 26 national suffrage organizations—in her discussion of the equal rights of women at the Burtis, Davenport, Saturday evening, left no doubt in the minds of her audience of her thorough conversance with her subject, and the presentation of arguments with considerable detail in the course of her talk was punctuated with repeated bursts of applause.

Mrs. Catt is a remarkable woman, and a most impressive speaker. She has a magnificent stage presence and a quiet dignity that carries conviction of her earnestness and sincerity. Some of the arguments advanced by the anti-suffragists were discussed and answered with statistics in favor of suffrage. About the cost of double election, doubling the cost of government, one of the anti arguments that has been freely exploited as helping boost the high cost of living, Mrs. Catt said: "The increase in the cost in the east has been nil. In the state of Wyoming where women have voted for many years taxes were unnecessary this year, and in Kansas, where the women have the ballot, the last bond of indebtedness has been burned."

High spots in her address are: "An anti-suffragist is a woman who does not want to vote and is determined that other women shall not vote." "The example of supreme selfishness is the woman who does not care enough for the general good of womanhood to vote. If there is a reason in the argument against suffrage it is prejudice."

"Woman suffrage is coming. There is no power on earth that can stay in its tide. It is coming; the only question is the date."
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"There is a quality of courage in women that the race needs in its upbuilding of the race of men."

"What is the matter with Iowa that Iowa women are not equal to other women? If there is nothing the matter with Iowa women, then what is the matter with Iowa men?"

CELEBRATE 15TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

A company of 30 friends last evening went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Erhart, 1032 Seventh avenue, to help them celebrate their 15th wedding anniversary, taking the guests of honor much by surprise. The games of 500 and cinch were played, and prizes went to Mr. and Mrs. William Frank, Mrs. H. A. Burke and Elmer Noack. The self invited guests had brought with them provisions for a delicious lunch which was served after the card games. Mr. and Mrs. Erhart were present with a purse of money with which to purchase a gift to the liking.

COFFEE BIG SUCCESS.

One of the most successful affairs ever given by the In His Name circle of King's Daughters was the coffee Saturday afternoon held at the home of Miss Gladys McNamara, 1005 Twentieth street. The home was beautifully bright with roses and white carnations, all the rooms being sweet with their fragrance. In the dining room the King's Daughters' colors, purple and white, were carried out in basket being filled with white carnations and purple orchids, the handle of the basket being tied with an enormous bow of purple satin ribbon. During the afternoon an informal program was given by Mrs. E. Irwin of Davenport singing "Somewhere I Hear a Voice Calling Me," by Taty and "When the Roses Are Blooming." Mrs. E. G. Don read Kipling's "Mother o' Mine" and an Italian dialect story. Members of the circle assisted in receiving, pouring and serving and between \$50 and \$60 will be cleared for the charity work of the circle. The regular May meeting will be held Thursday in the home of Mrs. Richard Liitt.

PUPILS IN RECITAL.

Last evening, Mrs. Tonoges Riegel of Davenport, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Loudon, presented two of her pupils, Edith Loudon and Naomi Johnson in their first recital. The two young ladies deserve special mention for the manner in which they delivered their selections from memory.

Mildred Frost and Marvin McNeill assisted in the two following selections, "Paraphrase de Concert" by Sherwood; "Lucia" (left hand alone) by Leschetizky, which showed the technic and artistic temperament of these two pupils.

By request the company again had the opportunity of hearing Royal Donovan Little in "Lest I Go Astray," by C. Warren and "Somewhere a Voice is Calling," by Taty. This opportunity of hearing him was appreciated by the large audience present, who had looked forward to his appearance.

Mrs. McCarthy displayed, as usual, her talent in three readings, winning special applause in "Rosa and Baseball."

GRANT PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION.

The regular meeting of the Grant Parent-Teacher association was held Friday afternoon at the school house. After the transaction of business mat-

ters the following program was given:

Victrola selections.
Voice—L. L. Hance.
Reading—Mrs. Gertrude Smith.
Victrola selection.
Address—E. C. Fisher.

A social hour followed during which refreshments were served. The next meeting, Friday, May 12, will be the annual one when election of officers for the term will be held.

BREAKFAST FOR MISS ABRAHAMSON.

Miss Ebba Abrahamson, Thirty-fifth street and Seventh avenue, who has just returned from a tour with the Wennerberg chorus, whom she accompanied as reader, was awakened early this morning by a company of girl friends composing the S. P. D. club, who came prepared to serve a May day breakfast. They brought with them lovely daffodils which they used to trim the serving table and had provisions for a delicious coffee breakfast. Miss Abrahamson was taken much by surprise, but made her guests very welcome, and they had a fine time together. She was presented with a number of pretty gifts.

The club had a meeting Saturday evening in the home of Miss Grace Wood, 3037 Tenth avenue, members spending the evening with fancy work and visiting and they were served with a delightful lunch.

SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Meetings of the gymnasium class of the social service department of the Rock Island Woman's club have been indefinitely postponed because of the inability of Dr. Mabel Otis to attend. Notice will be given when the sessions are resumed.

Members of Rock Island chapter No. 269, Order of Eastern Star, have been invited to attend past matrons' night of Davenport chapter, Wednesday evening. Those desiring to attend are requested to meet at the New Harper corner at 7 o'clock to board a street car for Davenport.

BIG EATERS GET KIDNEY TROUBLE

Take Salts at First Sign of Bladder Irritation or Backache.

The American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble, because we eat too much and all our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out, they weaken from overwork, become sluggish; the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health.

When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead; your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headache or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then find. This famous salt is made from the acid lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys; to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

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